

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Tuesday, May 23, 2006

4:10 p.m.

Room 307 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Nitz, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Representative Newell made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of May 17, 2006, supported by Representative Sheltroun. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

The Chair laid HB 5952, HR 249, SB 1074, SB 1075, SB 1078, and SB 1079 before the Committee.

HB 5952	LaJoy	Transportation; motor fuel tax; requirement for use or disposal of motor fuel or other product to be in compliance with ASTM standards; eliminate.
HR 249	Nitz	A resolution to express support for the 25 x 25 vision that by 2025, Michigan and American farms and forests will provide 25 percent of the total energy consumed in the United States while continuing to produce safe, abundant, and affordable food, feed, and fiber.
SB 1074	Gilbert	Transportation; motor fuel tax; differential rate on certain motor fuels; provide for.
SB 1075	Kuipers	State; purchasing; state fleets; require to use certain fuels.
SB 1078	Patterson	Economic development; renaissance zones; renaissance zones for renewable energy facilities; provide for.
SB 1079	Brown	Transportation; other; standards and codes for use of diesel, biodiesel, and hydrogen; establish.

John Griffin, representing the Associated Petroleum Industries of Michigan, spoke to the Committee in support of HB 5952.

Representative Nitz spoke to the Committee regarding HR 249.

Peggy Johnson and Linda Fenton, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, spoke to the Committee regarding SB 1074 and indicated support for the concept of the bill.

John Czarnecki, representing the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), spoke to the Committee regarding SB 1076 (in support of the concept of the bill) and SB 1078 (in support pending a compromise regarding new zones).

Cards were submitted by:

Jerry Griffin, representing the Wayne County Executive Office, in support of SB 1074-SB 1079

Liesl Clark and Steve Reh, representing the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA), in support of HB 5952, SB 1077 and SB 1079

Bob Tadsen, representing the Michigan Agri-Business Association, in support of HB 5952, HR 249 and SB 1074-SB 1079

Monique Field, representing the Department of Management and Budget (DMB), in support of SB 1075

Tonia Ritter, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau, in support of the concept of HR 249 and in support of SB 1074-SB 1079

Chair Nitz stated that voting would take place on HB 5952, HR 249, SB 1074, SB 1075, SB 1078, and SB 1079 subsequent to a brief recess, the time being 4:40 p.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 4:41 p.m.

Representative Sheltroun made a motion to report HB 5952 with recommendation, supported by Representative Stahl.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Mayes made a motion to report HR 249 with recommendation, supported by Representative Hune.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Newell made a motion to adopt SB 1074 (H-1), supported by Representative Spade.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Ball made a motion to report SB 1074 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Proos.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Law made a motion to report SB 1075 with recommendation, supported by Representative Sheltroun.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Stahl made a motion to adopt SB 1078 (H-1), supported by Representative Ball.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Spade made a motion to report SB 1078 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Casperson.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Proos made a motion to adopt SB 1079 (H-3), supported by Representative Newell.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Mayes made a motion to report SB 1079 (H-3) with recommendation, supported by Representative Ball.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Nitz, Ball, Newell, Casperson, Stahl, Proos, Hune, Mayes, Spade, Kathleen Law, Sheltroun. (11/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (11/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no further business before the Committee, Chair Nitz declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 4:46 p.m.

Representative Neal Nitz, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk
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